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VIENNA FOR MBFR DEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, NATO

SUBJECT: MBFR: NEW U.S. DATA FOR PUBLIC USE

REF: (A) U.S. NATO 5146, (B) STATE 211408, (C) STATE
209532 AND 209615

1. EMBOFF CONTACTED RUTH OCT 26 AND CALLED HIS ATTENTION
TO FRG NATO DEL REP RANTZAU'S NEGATIVE POSITION
IN SPC ON MBFR DATA ISSUE (REF A - PARA 7), WHICH
CONTRASTED SHARPLY WITH RUTH'S COOPERATIVE ATTITUDE
REPORTED BONN 15469. RUTH EXPRESSED CHAGRIN AT
RANTZAU STATEMENT AND SAID HE WOULD CALL HIM
IMMEDIATELY IN EFFORT TO "TURN HIM AROUND."

2. EMBOFF ALSO TOLD RUTH U.S. REPS WOULD BE PRESENTING
FIGURES TO ALLIES IN VIENNA AND BRUSSELS CONCERNING
FORCES IN HUNGARY AND URGED FRG SUPPORT. WE WILL MAKE
FOLLOW-UP ON THESE FIGURES (REF B) AFTER U.S. NATO
AND U.S. DEL MBFR PROVIDES THEM TO ALLIES. (FOR MBFR

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DEL - RUTH WILL BE IN VIENNA OCT 29-OCT 31 SO U.S. REPS

ALSO MAY WISH TO FOLLOW UP WITH HIM ON HUNGARIAN
FIGURES.)

3. STEINHAUS (DEFENSE MINISTRY POLICY PLANNING STAFF)
CONTACTED EMBOFF OCT 26 TO SAY DEFENSE MINISTRY
CONSIDERED THAT NEW U.S. DATA (REF C) CORRESPONDED TO
GERMAN DATA ON FORCES IN QUESTION. BUT DEFENSE
MINISTRY WAS CONCERNED THAT NEW U.S. DATA WOULD MAKE
IT ALL THE MORE DIFFICULT TO NEGOTIATE INCREASINGLY
ASYMMETRIC EASTERN REDUCTIONS IN MBFR II. STEINHAUS
SAID DEFENSE MINISTRY THEREFORE HAD NOT YET FIXED
DEFINITIVE POSITION ON USE OF NEW U.S. DATA WITH THE
EAST OR WITH THE PUBLIC AT THE OPENING OF THE MBFR
NEGOTIATIONS. EMBOFF NOTED IMMINENT OPENING OF
NEGOTIATIONS NEXT WEEK AND URGED STEINHAUS TO ACCORD
URGENT ATTENTION TO THIS ISSUE. STEINHAUS SAID HE
WOULD BE BACK TO US AGAIN ON MONDAY.
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